



CITY OF STOCKTON

THE WEEK THAT WAS

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A Report from the City Manager

April 18, 2003

COUNCIL CHAMBERS AUDIO AND VISUAL BROADCASTING EQUIPMENT

For the past several City Council meetings, the audio and/or visual broadcasting equipment has failed. After several attempts to locate the problem and correct the malfunctioning equipment, it was decided that there was no way to deem it reliable. Since it is estimated to be 15-25 years old and has far exceeded its life expectancy, staff will be replacing the equipment.

The replacement cost is expected to be approximately \$95,000, and staff will report back once the exact cost is known.

The City Manager has authorized staff to proceed with the replacement of the audio and visual broadcasting equipment under the emergency provisions of Stockton Municipal Code 3-105.

Staff is estimating audio equipment to be installed within 4 weeks and video within 10-12 weeks.

In the meantime, to provide the most reliable equipment

possible, audio equipment will be rented and an

operator will be on site should technical difficulties occur. City employees will replace Comcast staff in handling the broadcasting responsibilities. (CM)

SALE OF SURPLUS PROPERTY

This information is provided to inform the City Council as outlined in Chapter 3, Section 3-030, Part IV of the May 19, 1988, revision of the Stockton Municipal Code. The Purchasing Division sold the following surplus property. Through Roger Ernst & Associates Auctioneers, Inc. of Modesto, California, the City sold eleven (11) surplus vehicles for \$7,766. (AS)

CALPERS TRAINING

The City of Stockton hosted the annual training given by CalPERS for public agencies in San Joaquin County on Thursday, April 10. The half day training was attended by representatives from nine public agencies and was held in the City Council Chambers. The training covered topics like Employer Rates, Membership, Social Security, Service Retirement and was geared towards both Human

Resources and Payroll personnel handling PERS.

In the afternoon CalPERS representatives held a one-on-one discussion session with the City's Payroll staff regarding issues specific to the City, including calculation of final year compensation for the enhanced benefit related to Employee Paid Member Contribution (20692).

The sessions were enlightening and educational and gave City staffers direct connections with CalPERS personnel. (AS-Accounting)

ARCH ROAD/STATE ROUTE 99 INTERCHANGE PROJECT-TRAFFIC MONITORING CAMERAS

City staff has been working closely with Caltrans and the electrical contractor to install temporary pan-tilt zoom cameras along State Route 99 near Arch Road. Utilizing wireless technologies, the video images are transmitted from the interchange to the existing citywide fiber optic network (at traffic signals) along Airport Way. The cameras will enable the City and Caltrans to monitor progress of the interchange construction and the traffic conditions adjacent to the

construction site. The subject interchange project also includes extending the fiber optic network to the new traffic signals in that area. Permanent cameras will be installed and come online during the latter phases of the project. (PW)

SMITH CANAL LEAKING UNDERGROUND FUEL TANK (LUFT) SITE – FIRST TESTS CLEAN

Groundwater dewatering for the installation of a nearby sewer line has delayed the closure of the former leaking LUFT site at Smith Canal Pump Station on Fontana Avenue. Changes in water levels in the monitoring wells onsite, which suggested that groundwater onsite may be moving and shifting the location of the residual contamination, prompted San Joaquin County Environmental Health Department to require that the two monitoring wells nearest the property line be tested weekly. Fortunately the first samples showed no sign of contamination movement and weekly testing has been replaced by weekly monitoring of the depth to groundwater in all the monitoring wells, which is less costly.

Dewatering near the site is expected to continue for four weeks. When dewatering is nearly complete all seven wells will be retested. The wells will be retested again when the groundwater levels return to normal. At that time we will again petition for closure of the site. (PW)

WESTON RANCH ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

On April 14 the Weston Ranch Organizing Committee (WROC) held a community meeting at the First Christian Church in Weston Ranch. Approximately 150 residents attended. Mayor Podesto and Councilmember

Giovanetti attended as did staff from the Police, Economic Development, and Parks and Recreation Departments. Councilmember Nomura was returning from Washington D.C. and was not able to attend.

The meeting began with WROC recognizing Senior Community Service Officer Patricia Miller-Battiste for her work with the community. WROC presented Officer Miller-Battiste with a bouquet of flowers. The meeting agenda included the discussion about the potential "Power Center" at French Camp Road/I-5 interchange, Police presence in Weston Ranch, the Food-4-Less shopping center, and maintenance district reserve funds. There was also a time for questions from the audience.

Economic Development Director Steve Carrigan discussed the concept of a "Power Center" in the French Camp Road/I-5 area. Mr. Carrigan explained that developers are interested in the site due to its location and demographics of the area. The environmental review process has just begun. The environmental impact report is expected to be ready for final consideration in the Spring of 2004. There were questions about the former sales pavilion. Mr. Carrigan explained that the pavilion is private property and that the developer has preliminarily indicated the desire to include the property in the Power Center.

Captain Helms addressed questions regarding police presence, response time, traffic enforcement and a future police substation for the southerly part of the City. Captain Helms indicated that Weston Ranch has 2 patrol offices assigned from 2 p.m. to midnight each day.

Representatives from Food-4-Less were in attendance. The

representatives noted the residents concerns regarding traffic in the parking lot, who to contact regarding abandoned shopping carts and site security. They will have a response to these issues at the April 29 WROC meeting.

Parks and Recreation Director Johnny Ford spoke on new recreation facilities in Weston Ranch. These facilities will include a community pool the Department will operate with Manteca Unified School District on the new High School campus, and the new gymnasium being constructed on Paul E. Weston Park as a joint project between the City and MUSD. There is a question about maintenance district funds that are in reserve accounts accruing interest. The funds do accrue interest however the interest is currently credited to the general fund. Staff will be researching whether these types of funds are eligible to have the interest earned paid to the reserve account.

During an open question and answer period the residents brought up a number of issues including completion and installation of traffic signals, traffic enforcement, illegal levee access, vacant lots that are not being maintained, levee bike path construction, street name signs, speed limit signs, and stop signs. These concerns have been forwarded to the appropriate departments for response. Responses will be sent to WROC and also included in future TWTW.

The next WROC meeting is scheduled for April 29, 2003 at 7:00 p.m. at First Christian Church, 1234 William Moss Boulevard. (P&R)

PIXIE WOODS CHILDREN'S PARK

Spring Break started at Pixie Woods on April 14 through the 25th. The park is open daily from noon to 5:00 p.m. to accommodate children who are out of school. Children will receive treats as they enter the park to celebrate the season. (P&R)

SUMMER DISCOVERY CAMP REGISTRATION OPENS

The Spring Discovery Camp is currently operating from April 14-18. Registration is underway this month for the Stockton Parks and Recreation Department's unique Summer Discovery Camps for kids ages 5-12 that will begin June 9th and run through August 15th. The weekly themed camps run daily from 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. at McKinley, Seifert, Sierra Vista, Stribley, and Van Buskirk Community Centers, the Oak Park Ice Arena, Stockton Rod and Gun Club, and Trinity and Zion Lutheran Churches. Free breakfast and lunch are served to all participants daily; campers must bring an afternoon snack from home. Camp fees are \$35 per child per week and \$65 per child for two weeks. With a family discount the fee for a second child in the same family is \$30 per week and a third child is \$20 per week. (P&R)

INSTRUCTIONAL CLASSES

Kinder classes, specifically designed for parent and toddlers, started this month. Kindergym for children 12 to 22 months started on April 17 at Seifert Center for a fee of \$30 for 6 classes. Mommy and Me Music, Movement and More started April 15 at the First Baptist Church for children 2-5 years of age for a fee of \$40 for 6 classes. Mommy and Me Kinder Art is open to children 2½ years of age and over. The class started April 16 at Seifert

Center for \$40 for 6 classes. Mommy and Me Kinder Art also have a Saturday series that started April 12. (P & R)

COMMUNITY CENTER EASTER ACTIVITIES

To celebrate the season the following community centers held fee craft and special events:

Easter Bunny Crafts at McKinley Center for ages 5-12 on April 17.

Easter Egg Coloring Contest at McKinley Center for ages 5-12 on April 18.

Easter Eggstravaganza at McKinley and Stribley Centers on April 19 with games, face painting and egg hunts for those 2 to 12 years of age.

Hip Hop Easter Festival at Van Buskirk Community Center on April 19 for the entire family. (P & R)

ANNUAL ARBOR DAY CEREMONIES

Annual Arbor Day ceremonies were held on April 11 at Sandman Park with third and fourth grade students from Wagner Holt School providing the entertainment portion of the program. Students assisted with the planting of trees in the park to commemorate the event. (P&R)

PARKS UPDATE

Parks reports the mowing of the parks has been impacted by staffing shortages. This has caused them to change the mowing level height to 1¾ inches starting the week of April 14. Staff may need to adjust this level again as the weather continues to change. (P & R)

LIBRARIAN SELECTED FOR WOMAN'S DAY ONLINE BOOKCLUB

Terri Works, Adult Selection Librarian, has been selected to be one of four public librarians nationwide to recommend books for a new online book club sponsored by *Woman's Day* magazine. The club is expected to debut this summer and will feature two books per

month. Terri's name and photo will be posted on the *Woman's Day* website alongside the book recommendations. (LIB)

RIPON LIBRARY CONSTRUCTION GRANT APPLICATION

At the urging of the State Office of Library Construction, which administers the library construction bond act, Library Director Nicky Stanke met with Ripon City Administrator Leon Compton to discuss the possibility of resubmitting Ripon's proposal to build a new library building in the 3rd construction grant cycle. Earlier, the Ripon City Council had declined to resubmit it in the 2nd cycle, after it was judged "Acceptable" in the 1st round. According to Compton the Ripon City Council has not put a new library facility on this year's priority list of capital projects. Compton also cited concerns over operating costs and required obligations to operate a new library facility for 40 years. (LIB)

LODI COUNCIL APPROVES LIBRARY SHARED SYSTEM

At its regular meeting Wednesday night the Lodi City Council voted unanimously to allow the Lodi Public Library Board to use its fund balance to provide a much-needed upgrade to its computerized catalog and circulation operations by contracting with the Stockton-San Joaquin County Public Library as it implements the Sirsi system. Lodi Public Library will pay Stockton for the data conversion costs for Lodi PL date and the proportionate ongoing licensing fees and staff time for operating and maintaining the system. Amador County Public Library is already a partner in this Library operation. (LIB)

**FIRST PRACTICE SESSION
FOR FIREFIGHTER
AGILITY A SUCCESS...
MORE DATES TO BE
ADDED**

On April 12, Personnel Services and the Fire Department conducted the first of several Firefighter agility practice sessions at Fire Station #2. In spite of inclement weather, the turnout was encouraging due to the diverse makeup of the group who participated. The practice sessions demonstrated what the physical performance exam entails and how it will be administered. It provided an opportunity for attendees to participate in a hands-on physical agility exam; with the "how-to" techniques being offered by current City of Stockton Firefighters. Participants were provided with physical conditioning guides to identify exercises that will benefit those interested in a career in the fire service.

All future practice sessions will take place at the City of Stockton Fire Station #2, located at 110 West Sonora Street from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon (every hour on the hour). No advance reservation is required. Sessions have been scheduled for the following Saturdays:

May 10, 2003
June 14, 2003
September 13, 2003
October 11, 2003
November 8, 2003

Call (209) 937-8865 to hear a recorded message that will answer additional questions.
(PER)

**POLICE OFFICER TRAINEE
ORAL EXAMS
CONDUCTED**

Personnel Services, assisted by sworn personnel from the Police Department and local community members,

conducted the oral interview component of the Police Officer Trainee examination process from April 15 through 18. There were 137 candidates invited to the oral exam. (PER)

**SAFETY TRAINING OFFERED
TO SUPERVISORS**

On April 14 and 15, employees in supervisory and lead positions attended the Citywide training class entitled "*Safety for Supervisors and Lead Workers.*" Jack Kastorff, a Safety Consultant from Gregory B. Bragg & Associates provided the training. This class is part of the ongoing effort by the City to ensure proper training for first line supervisors and those in lead positions.
(PER)

INSPECTIONS

An inspection and scope of work was prepared this week for 7453 Southfield Way. Initial inspection of the dwelling determined that the wiring was faulty and the floor coverings and windows also needed replacement. A new roof and heating system will be installed and the entire interior and exterior will be patched and repainted.

An emergency grant inspection was performed at 521 N. Edison Street to replace the roof covering. A bid for the work was obtained and the work is already completed. (HRD)

TCAC APPLICATION REVIEW

Housing staff is currently reviewing the Diamond Cove II application for Low Income Tax Credits. As part of the process of awarding Low Income Tax Credits, the State Tax Credit Allocation Committee asks local jurisdictions to review and evaluate projects from their area. The City received a request for review of the applications submitted by Diamond Cove II Apartments and Valle del Sol Townhomes in this first round of Tax Credits. The Low Income Tax Credit program provides a federal tax

credit to owners of low-income rental housing that may be claimed annually over a 10-year period. A companion State tax credit may be claimed over a 4-year period as a supplement to the federal credit. Applications are competitively ranked for reservations of credits in each round.

Diamond Cove II will be a 40 unit multi-family project located in the Carrington Circle Target Neighborhood. The project will consist of two bedroom, three bedroom, and four bedroom units targeting incomes at 30 percent, 45 percent, 50 percent, and 60 percent of Stockton's median income. Diamond Cove II will mix the new construction of 20 units with the rehabilitation of ten duplexes. Project amenities will include a 5,600 square foot community room, which will house an after school program, onsite daycare, and a computer lab. The City is financially assisting this project, most recently with a \$700,000 CDBG loan to be used for the construction of the child care and community facility. (HRD)

**CDBG-FUNDED
PROJECTS:**

Emerald Point Day Care Center

Progress continues in the construction of the Emerald Pointe Day Care Center being built by ACLC, which is located at 9537 Kelley Drive. The roof and wall framing as well as the installation of the underground plumbing, reinforced steel and concrete slabs and footing have already been installed.

This week, the wall sheathing and the concrete footing for the block wall have been poured.

Child Abuse Prevention Council

Significant progress has been made on the rehabilitation of the Child Abuse Prevention Council facility located at 540 N. California. To date modifications to the roof have been completed including the installation of air conditioning ductwork, fire sprinkler system on all three floors, rough plumbing and electrical systems, new windows and metal partitions on the first floor.

As a part of the facade loan approved for the project, the front corner has now received stucco and will be repainted.

Gospel Center Rescue Mission

Now that the permit has been approved and issued for the construction of a new family shelter located at 224-226 E. Sonora, work has begun. The footings have been excavated and concrete will be installed as weather permits.

Once completed, this facility will provide for the expansion of shelter services and accommodate additional homeless persons who may not otherwise be able to be assisted due to overcrowding at the existing facility as well as other similar facilities in the Stockton area. The new shelter will provide transitional housing and drug/alcohol addiction treatment for single men, single women, and families.

An inspection was made at 601 Diane Avenue as part of the Emergency Repair Program. The roof was found to be deteriorated and will be replaced. (HRD)

QUARTERLY CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT

The third quarter report of code enforcement activity is attached. Two items of interest are the total number

of complaints received during this period and the square feet of graffiti removed.

The number of complaints received this quarter increased from 1,125 in 2001/02 to 1,447 [29 percent increase] in 2002/03. Year to date complaints went to 5,026 compared to 3,850 last year [31 percent increase]. This increase is partially attributed to the special code enforcement activity in the mid-town area.

The square feet of graffiti removed this quarter increased from 335,707 in 2001/02 to 406,894 [21 percent increase] in 2002/03. In addition the year to date graffiti removal went to 1,032,567 compared to 818,389 last year [26 percent increase]. We did not reach the one million square feet of graffiti removed in fiscal year 2001/02 until the week ending May 31, 2002. This increase in abatement is the result of overtime used during the first part of 2003 to combat the significant increase in tagging during that period. (HRD)

EAST FREMONT STREET DEMOLITION

Demolition work on the vacant apartment building at 428 East Fremont Street began on Tuesday April 15, 2003. The low bidder on the project was P&P Building Wrecking Inc. from Sacramento at \$24,650. This building was vacated by Code Enforcement in 1989 and there have been several Code Enforcement actions securing the building since then along with a couple of fires. The current owners, Colmar Properties, LLC, demolished the interior of the structure in anticipation of rehabilitation, however, the extent of that work is such that it would be considered new construction and subject to current Codes and Standards. It was also discovered that additional use permit and parking issues had to be addressed.

The owners have steadfastly refused to comply with City requirements for the rehabilitation. Due to soil and structural movements along with extensive dry rot throughout, the structure's stability has been compromised and the building declared a public nuisance. The City is proceeding with the demolition under a Warrant issued by the San Joaquin County Court Judge based upon a Demolition Notice and Order issued July 2002. It is anticipated that the entire project will take 2-3 weeks to complete. (HRD)

NORTH VENTURA STREET ABATEMENT

Abatement work continues at 23 North Ventura Street where ten large silos, owned by Nationwide Cement Company, are being prepared for demolition by the owners. After several weeks of negotiating with the owners, an agreement was reached between their attorney and the Deputy City Attorney granting 30 days to remove the fly ash from the silos and an additional 30 days to perform the demolition. To date the owners have cleaned the property of overgrown vegetation, removed several truckloads of junk, trash and debris and demolished a large metal warehouse. (HRD)

STOCKTON STREET COLLECTION PROGRAM

Neighborhood Services Division completed the second full month of the Clean-up pilot project. The program consists of two California Conservation Corps employees responding to citizen complaints about small amounts of trash, junk, and debris in a timely manner. In addition they patrol the City looking for items dumped on the street or private property.

During the month of March, 30,170 pounds of trash and debris [an average of 1,775 pounds of debris each day] was collected during the 17 work-day period. The crew responded to 70 citizen complaints and patrolled 1,687 miles [a daily average of 99 miles].

Since the program began in late January, 2003 the crew has patrolled most streets in each of the four Police Districts once and is working on completing a second patrol. They also check the downtown core area daily, as well as certain neighborhoods with high dumping rates and citizen complaints on a more frequent basis. The crew has collected a total of 47,890 pounds of discarded material, patrolled 3,975 miles of city streets and responded to 179 complaints from citizens since January 2003. (HRD)

NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES MONITORING

This week there are updates from both Gateway and Park Districts. Gateway encompasses the downtown area and those areas between Harding Way and the BN&SF Railroad tracks while Park covers the area south of the BN&SF Railroad tracks and east of the UP Railroad tracks.

GATEWAY:

Downtown-Commercial Area

The owner of a property in the 800 block of East Weber was issued a violation warning notice for having junk, debris and weeds on the property. The owner of the property in the 300 block of North California Street has completed repairs to the multiple unit residential complex.

A tenant residing in an apartment building on North American Street complained about a resident next door to

his unit having a cockroach infestation. An attempt to inspect the unit was made with the building's management but the resident refused to open the door. A referral to the Department of Human Services was made by the management and an eviction has also been filed.

Magnolia/Midtown Area

The garbage dumpster located in the 300 block of East Poplar Street has been kept in compliance after a citation was issued to the property owner. Neighborhood Services will continue to monitor this location. A property in the 900 block of North Hunter Street has been cleaned considerably after a violation warning notice was issued to the tenant for junk and furniture in the yard areas. In addition, Code Enforcement had found a person living in a travel trailer and an inoperative vehicle in the back yard. All that remain are a few pieces of furniture that will be taken when the tenant moves to a different location.

Two Stop Work Orders were issued at two separate properties for doing work without a building permit. The first one involved a property in the 1000 block on North San Joaquin Street where the new owner of the property was replacing dry rotted structural members to a building and the second was for a re-roof to a building in the 300 block of East Flora Street.

Pixie Drive

One building in the 1300 block of Perry Avenue has been completely painted and new shrubs have been planted in the front yard. The new property owner has also evicted the tenants of one of the units which should be an improvement to the area. The owner of a property in the 2800 block of Pixie Drive was issued a violation warning notice for lack of lawn maintenance.

Sutter, 2000/21000 Block South Union

The Railroad is deciding what to do with agreement to remove garbage along their right-a-way. The yard is full of contaminated material, so the Railroad may have to clear the property themselves because of the toxic waste issue.

North and South Stribley

\$100 -a- day Civil Penalties continue on a house per Administrative Hearing officer. The County has adjusted the lot line on a house slated for demolition, and now await the owner to demolish. Three vacant and boarded homes were reported by Neighbors, after homeless people broke into them. They are now being cited for Demolition if repairs do not start in the next thirty days.

Weber between A & B

Commercial Property, cited for being converted into residential use, was allowed to be used for living purposes by the Planning Department. Property owner must remove crane structure in the back yard area per Planning's ruling. Properties that were recently taken out of foreclosure and sold were cited for failing to keep clean and secured during remodeling of the property. Permits have been pulled for the repairs to both duplex structures. (HRD)

FOLSOM STREET

On Wednesday, April 8th Neighborhood Services received a request from Child Protective Services regarding a child who fell through a hole in the bathroom floor at a 15-unit apartment complex on Folsom Street. Upon inspection, Neighborhood Services determined the unit was uninhabitable because of the water damage in the bathroom and other

substandard housing conditions. The tenants were vacated the next day under an Emergency Notice to Vacate.

On Friday, April 11th a full inspection of each unit, under a warrant from the courts, was conducted by Dale Himes, Chief Building Inspector, Corky Hull, City Health Officer and Neighborhood Services staff. Due to the dilapidated state and substandard building conditions to the extent that they endangered the life, limb, health and safety of the occupants, it was decided to give the property owner 48 hours to repair or relocate all tenants of the 15-unit apartment complex. On Monday, April 14th the property was re-inspected and only 1 other unit had been vacated. City staff coordinated a relocation of all the other tenants into two local motels for two weeks until other rental units are found. A Notice to Abate by Demolition is being prepared for the old Navy barracks/apartment complex. (HRD)

COUNTRY CLUB TRUNK SEWER, DESIGN-BUILD PROJECT

The project team continues to assess the environmental conditions of the project site. Along the pipeline route, samples of groundwater and soil are being taken and analyzed as well as geotechnical work is being performed. The sampling of the soil and ground water will be completed by April 21, 2003. Once the results of these analyses are obtained, the impact on the project will be determined. Test results at the corner of Country Club Boulevard and Plymouth Road indicated no contamination of soil or groundwater along the project alignment. Boring and jacking operation under

I-5 near Smith Canal pump station continues. To date, the contractor has installed 180 feet of approximately 380 feet of casing under the I-5 freeway. (MUD)

POLICE DEPARTMENT CALLS/INCIDENTS

During the period April 10-16, the Stockton Police Department handled 5,756 calls for service, incidents, and/or reports. (POL)

COMMUNITY HEALTH ACTION TEAM (CHAT)

CHAT continued their inspections of the Midtown Area. A preliminary inspection was completed and a Notice of Violation was issued. CHAT officers conducted two preliminary inspections and issued a Violation Warning Notice. A job walk was conducted for abatement of blight issues. A total of 6 notices/citations were issued this week. Three cars were towed from RD 116. Some CHAT members participated in Hotel/Motel training. (POL)

GANG STREET ENFORCEMENT TEAM

Activities of the Gang Street Enforcement Team (GSET), during the period April 9-13, included the following:

- Field Interviews - 114
- Felony Arrests – 6
- Felony Warrant Arrest- 1
- Misdemeanor Arrests – 1
- Misdemeanor Warrant Arrests – 2
- Traffic Citations Issued – 16
- Penal Code Citations – 0
- Vehicles Impounded – 8
- Firearms Confiscated – 0 (349 guns confiscated since the inception of GSET)
- Parole Searches – 0
- Probation Searches – 0
- Narcotics Confiscated – 1.9 Grams Rock Cocaine (POL)

TRUANCY

There were 32 juveniles processed for truancy. Year to date, 926 students have been

processed for truancy, with 219 repeat offenders. Statistics reflect a 12% decrease in overall truancy compared to the same time period last year. (POL)

TRAFFIC STOP DATA

Traffic stops throughout the four districts by percent were as follows:

Gateway	11.8%
Lakeview	42.0%
Park	30.3%
Valley Oak	15.9%

Traffic stops by ethnicity were as follows:

Caucasian	33.8%
Hispanic	33.8%
African/American	17.7%

(POL)

SECURITY GUARD SERVICE

The City Council has awarded the contract for security guard service at various city facilities to Atlas Security & Patrol. There will be a transition from California Industrial Services (CIS) guard services to Atlas Security & Patrol during the first part of May 2003. When the actual date for Atlas Security & Patrol to assume the City of Stockton security guard service is determined, department heads will be notified. Notification will include contact numbers for the Atlas Security & Patrol office and Stockton General Manager, Marc Estrella. (POL)

PURSUIT

Officers attempted to stop a stolen vehicle near the AM-PM store on Wilson Way and a ten-minute vehicle pursuit ensued. During the pursuit, the suspect twice attempted to strike oncoming vehicles. Police deployed the spike-strip device, which damaged all four of the stolen vehicle's tires. A Patrol unit also sustained two flat tires from the spike strip. The suspect stopped at 10th Street and

Airport Way, where he struggled with Officers. A canine was deployed, biting the suspect's leg. The suspect continued to resist and the taser was then deployed. The suspect was then taken into custody with the assistance of the "wrap" device. The suspect was found to be under the influence of drugs and to have "rock" cocaine and methamphetamine in his possession. After treatment for his injuries, he was arrested for stolen vehicle, pursuit and traffic violations, assault, and narcotics charges. (POL)

FORGERY ARREST

Detectives received information from employees of Firestone Tire that the suspects had ordered \$1,400 worth of wheels and were attempting to pay for them with a stolen credit card. The suspects were to return to the business when the wheels were ready for pick up. The suspects had also purchased tires with the stolen credit cards. Detectives waited for the suspects to return and pick up the wheels and arrested two suspects. The suspects also used the credit card at various locations and ran up charges of approximately \$2,000. (POL)

SHOOTING

The two male adult victims and one male juvenile victim were walking home from a Cambodian New Year celebration, when a black, four-door Honda Accord, occupied by four Asian males, shot at the victims with a .22 caliber weapon. A 19-year-old victim was shot in the left forearm and left foot, and a 22-year-old victim was shot in the left calf. A 15-year-old victim was shot in the right leg and buttocks, with the bullet lodging in his abdomen. He was listed in serious condition and would be taken into surgery. The

front seat passenger was the shooter and the only description was that he was wearing a hat. (POL)

PERSONS SHOT

Two male victims got into an argument and subsequently a fist fight with the suspect and numerous other subjects at Ralph's Square earlier in the night. The suspect was later seen walking away from in front of the victim's home holding a handgun immediately after five shots had been fired into the front window. One victim received a grazing wound to his ear. The other victim received minor wounds to his left wrist, left bicep, and upper left arm. One of the victims was uncooperative when Officers first arrived and refused to let them check back bedrooms for additional victims. The victim became combative and had to be subdued by a taser gun. (POL)

ASSAULT WITH A DEADLY WEAPON

Officers responded to a possible shooting and found a subject who had been shot in the foot. He described the suspects only as two Black males. Officers noted this victim matched the description of the suspect in this morning's shooting. About an hour after tonight's shooting, Antioch Police Department was called to an Antioch hospital, due to a disturbance. They found the victim from this morning's shooting there, with new, minor gunshot wounds. He refused to make a report and fled the hospital after advising the same suspect as this morning had shot him again. No arrests were made here or in Antioch. (POL)

FALSE REPRESENTATION

Two victims reported a subject in a blue 1997 Volkswagen Jetta stopped them, using a red & blue light on the windshield of the car. The subject identified himself to them as a member of the National Guard working with

local police, showing a military ID card and identifying himself by name. They wrote the name down, then came to the Police Department to report the apparently false stop. Investigation by Officers indicated the subject had used his real name during the stop and led them to his residence. After making contact with him, Officers recovered a bullet-proof vest and 9mm pistol in the residence and a set of emergency lights in the car. The suspect was arrested. (POL)

FATALITY

CHP Officers came upon a single vehicle accident on Charter Way just east of Wilson Way. The driver was deceased on scene. Traffic was called in for the investigation. (POL)

DEMONSTRATION / PROTEST

About 30 demonstrators displayed signs in the area of Lyons Restaurant on West Benjamin Holt Drive to protest a new group home for juveniles on Heather Drive. There were no incidents. (POL)

www.stocktongov.com

The City's website has a new look. The purpose of the new design is to improve navigation throughout the website, and to insure a consistent look throughout the site. The new site is based on templates controlled by the webmaster. Web Team members from each department will continue to be responsible for the actual content of department-specific web pages. This is just the first step in improving the website for our customers (internal and external). The next step is streaming video of Council meetings and Channel 97 programming, and online interactive customer service.

In addition to the new look we have purchased an additional website address, www.stocktongov.org. The City's website can now be found via three different addresses: www.stocktongov.com, www.ci.stockton.ca.us (traditional City/County website address), and www.stockotngov.org. (CM)

CITY MANAGER'S MEETINGS AND PRESENTATIONS

I held my weekly and bi-weekly meetings with Mayor Podesto; Vice Mayor Nomura; Councilmember Bestolarides; Chief Gillis; Steve Pinkerton; and Roger Storey. I also held my monthly meeting with Michael Taylor.

I attended the SCEA quarterly lunch meeting. I met with Ray Call and Dave Hafey to discuss fire department issues. I met with Mayor Podesto, Jim Giottonini and Mike Miller to discuss garbage issues. Mike Hakeem and I met to discuss ambulance issues.

I spoke at the Chamber of Commerce's Executive Board Meeting regarding the Convention & Visitors Bureau. I met with Bruce Hopperstead, San Joaquin County Mental Health Services, to discuss various issues. I attended the San Joaquin COG Management & Finance Meeting. I also attended the Downtown Action Team Meeting.

Mayor Podesto, Steve Pinkerton and I met with Bob Franco and Rosalio Estrada to discuss the Gleason Park Project. Teri Bentz and I met with Karen Daly, City Talkers Toastmasters, to discuss how Toastmasters can benefit the City and its employees. I attended the Business Council Board Meeting. I

participated in the Waterfront West Action Team Meeting and the City Investment Review Committee Meeting. I also attended Congressman Cardoza's Open House.

HAVE A GOOD WEEKEND!

**MARK LEWIS
CITY MANAGER**